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FOR THE

ESTABLISHMENT AND CONDUCT

OF

SUNDAY SCHOOLS,

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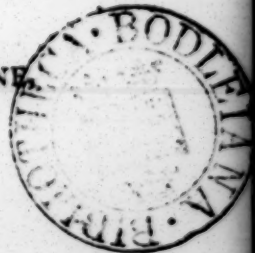
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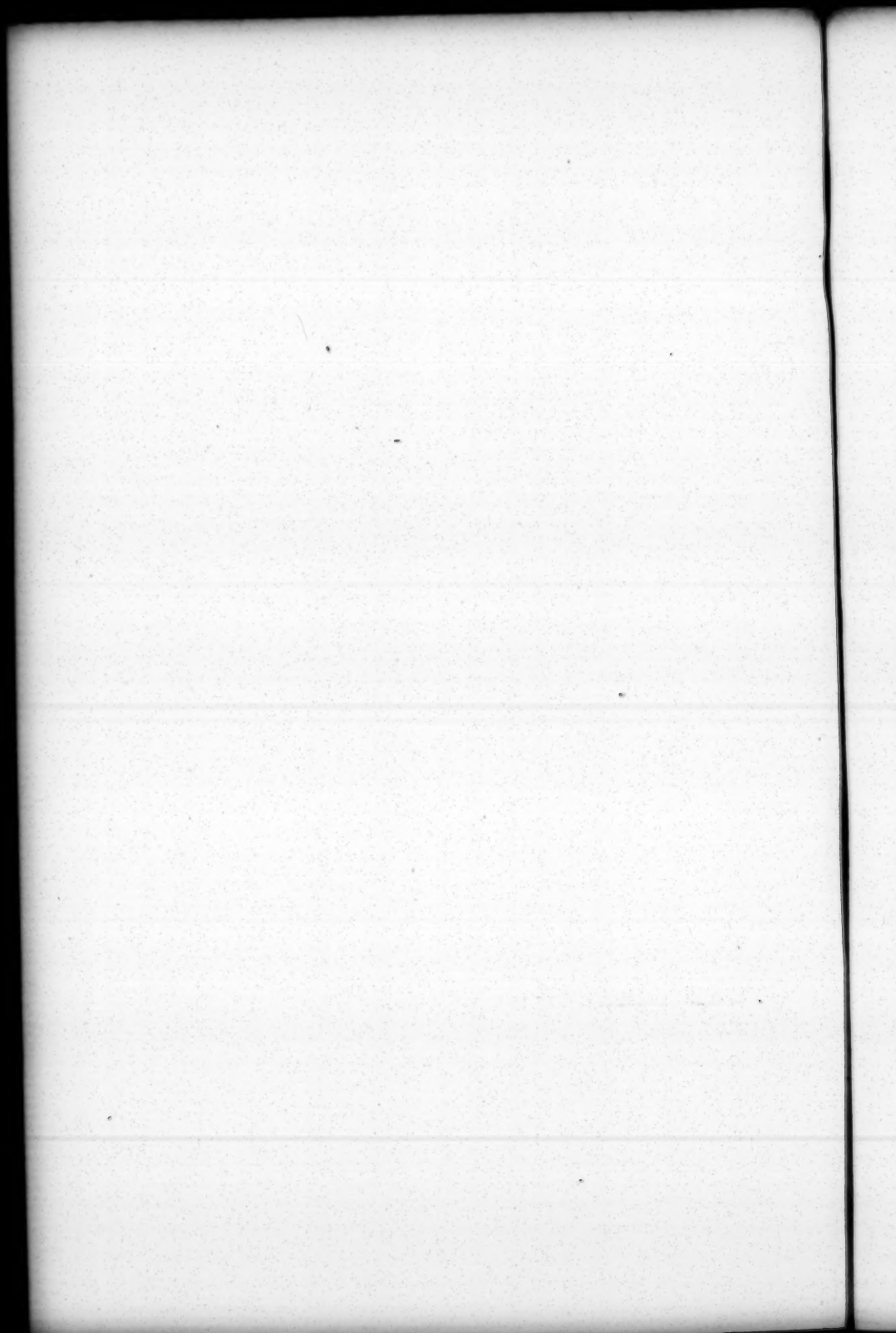
IN THE

COUNTY of ESSEX.

L O N D O N :

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AT a Meeting of the Inhabitants of
the parish of WALTHAMSTOW, in
the county of ESSEX, holden the 13th
day of SEPTEMBER 1789,

P R E S E N T

ANTHONY TODD, Esq. in the Chair.

Mr. RICHARD DIXON, }
Mr. JOSEPH HEWES, } Churchwardens.

Mr. WILLIAM MONEY.

Mr. ROBERT WIGRAM.

Mr. JOHN RIGG.

Mr. JOHN READ.

Mr. ROBERT MACFARLANE.

Mr. THOMAS GOLDTHWAYTE.

Mr. PETER LAPRIMAUDAYE.

Mr. WILLIAM GREER.

Mr. THOMAS PALMER.

Mr. WILLIAM COOKE.

Mr. WILLIAM BEDFORD.

Mr. JESSE RUSSELL.

The Rev. WILLIAM SPARROW, for the Rev.

EDWARD CONYERS, Vicar.

It was resolved unanimously,

THAT the establishing of Sunday-Schools in this parish, would contribute greatly to improve the morals and manners of such Poor Children as have no other means of instruction; and would, by teaching them habits of virtue and regularity, render them useful members of society.

That a Subscription be immediately raised for the support of such establishment, and that the smallest sums be thankfully received; and that Schools be opened for the reception of such a number of children residing in the parish, of five years old and upwards, as the fund subscribed may be adequate to support, and as the Committee to be elected may think proper.

That

That the following Plan be adopted
for the conduct of the Sunday-Schools.

I.

An Annual Subscription of One Guinea to constitute a Governor.

II.

A Committee of eleven to be chosen, of which the Vicar or his Curate, and the Church-wardens for the time being, are to be members, and any three of the Committee to be a quorum, who shall have full power to receive subscriptions and donations, to make payments, to form schools, engage and dismiss teachers, and generally to do all acts relative to the Charity, which are not contrary to the regulations established by the General Meeting.

III.

III.

A General Meeting of the Governors to be holden on the second Sunday in October, in every year; and at such other times as the Committee shall think necessary; at which Meetings all annual Subscribers of Five Shillings or upwards may attend, but without right of voting unless they be Governors.

IV.

At the General Meeting in October, the receipts and disbursements, and the proceedings of the Committee during the year past shall be first taken into consideration.

V.

At the same Meeting a Treasurer shall be appointed, and also the Committee

tee to conduct the Schools for the year ensuing ; both to be chosen by ballot ; unless the election should be unanimous.

VI.

The Boys and Girls shall be taught in separate Schools.

VII.

The Children of each School to attend their Master or Mistrefs constantly to Church, both morning and afternoon, unless on such occasions as shall be allowed of by the Committee.

VIII.

It is recommended to the Committee to request some of the annual Subscribers to assist them as Inspectors of the Schools ; and to relieve each other in this useful work by rotation.

IX.

IX.

No severity to be used by the teachers; but if any child prove refractory, complaint to be made to the Inspectors or to the Committee.

X.

The Committee to prepare instructions for the Teachers, and rules and orders for the Children.

XI.

When a child is recommended by a Governor, the parents or friends must bring it before the Committee, who (if they approve the child) are requested to exhort the parents or friends to abstain from swearing, lying, drunkenness, stealing, and every thing that may corrupt their children; to attend public
worship

worship themselves; to assist as far as they can in the instruction of their children, and to take care that they attend the School at proper hours, quite clean in their persons, and as neat as may be in their cloaths.

XII.

The Children are to be instructed in Reading, in the Church Catechism, and in such plain Religious Truths as they can understand; and such as will tend to improve their hearts, and regulate their manners.

XIII.

Small occasional rewards to be bestowed on the deserving scholars, at the discretion of the Committee. Bibles, Prayer-books, Exposition of the Catechism,

chism, Shoes, Stockings, Handkerchiefs,
Garters, Combs.

XIV.

In case the subscriptions will admit of it, the Committee may agree with the teachers to instruct the children in reading on Saturday in the afternoon, as recommended by the late Bishop of Chester, and may distribute to the parents or friends of the children, such Prayer-books, Catechisms, or other books; as may enable them to give their children some instruction at home during the rest of the week, and may also tend to improve their own morals.

XV.

Governors may attend the meetings of the Committee, and deliver their sentiments ;

ments ; but every question must be decided by a majority of the Members of the Committee then present ; and the expences (if any) of all General Meetings, and Meetings of the Committee to be paid by the Governors present, and not by the Charity.

XVI.

The Committee to meet once a month at least, viz. on the second Sunday in each month, and oftener, as occasion may require.

XVII.

The Parish and Peace-officers are requested to pay attention to the Streets and Public-houses on Sunday, in order to prevent Tipling, Gambling, and Disorderly Behaviour, on the Lord's Day,

Day, and especially during Divine Service.

The following Gentlemen were then appointed a Committee to establish and conduct the Schools during the remainder of this and through the ensuing year, until the Annual Meeting to be holden on the second Sunday in October, 1790.

The Rev. EDWARD CONYERS, Vicar, or his Curate.

The CHURCH-WARDENS for the time being.

ANTHONY TODD, Esq. Chairman.

Mr. WILLIAM MONEY.

Mr ROBERT WIGRAM.

Mr. THOMAS GOLDTHWAYTE.

Mr. WILLIAM COOKE.

Mr. JOHN READ.

Mr. PETER LAPRIMAUDAYE.

Mr. THOMAS PALMER.

WILLIAM

WILLIAM COOKE, Esq. was appointed
Treasurer to the Charity, and Subscrip-
tions and Donations will be received by
him as well as by the Committee.

